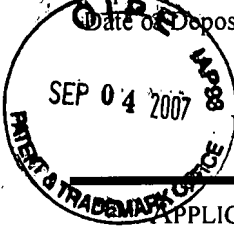


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a Five (5)- month extension of time to file a response to the above-identified non-provisional application for the outstanding Restriction Requirement in the Office Action mailed March 7, 2007. With the extension, the term for response or taking action in this application expires on September 7, 2007. A check in the amount of \$1,080.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), for a small entity is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference No. **24631-501**, Customer No. **35437**. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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